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Don't Miss! Great Show, Under the Government, Represents World's Progress at El Paso

REMARKS "WOODROW WILSON"

(By Special Wire to the Graphic)  
The eyes of the irrigation world are centered on New Mexico this week and the largest irrigation scheme in the world finds fulfillment in the Elephant Butte Dam, for it contains the largest mass of masonry in the world. The United States Reclamation Service directed the gigantic plan. The dam is 1930 feet long with a maximum width of 215 feet at the base tapering to a width of 18 feet at the crest which is 394.5 feet above bed rock. The crest is used as a roadway. The "lake" formed by the dam which stores only flood water of the Rio Grande will be 45 miles long with an average width of 6 miles and an average depth of 66 feet. It has 200 miles of shore line and a storage capacity of 862,000,000 gallons or enough to cover 2,642,292 acres of land one foot. This is about double the capacity of the Roosevelt Dam in Arizona and four times the storage capacity of the reservoir behind the famous irrigation dam at Assuan, Egypt.

It is so difficult for the lay mind to grasp the dimensions only expressed in numbers that a better idea may be gathered of the capacity of this "giant's bath" by recollecting that the mass of water therein contained would cover the state of Delaware about two feet deep, and Connecticut, for all its superior size could be inundated for ten inches from border to border.

The recent unprecedented rains and the swelling of the great river has tested the dam thoroughly—not in years has the water been as high under the international bridge at El Paso as at present but the dam is not weakened in any particular.

The great dam was dedicated yesterday afternoon by Hon. A. A. Jones who represented President Wilson, in whose honor the dam was re-named Col. W. S. Hopewell represented Gov. McDonald and Congressman W. R. Smith accepted on behalf of Texas.

Other noted speakers were Director Davis and Engineer Baldwin of the U. S. Reclamation Service; R. F. Burgess and J. G. McNary of the International Irrigation Congress.

Gen. Bell U. S. A., and Gen. Clement, U. S. N. G. Pa., were among the 200 guests.

**Premier Film Co. Here Today**

The Premier Film Co., of San Antonio, P. S. McGeeney, E. J. Akey and T. T. Dillon, are here today making moving pictures of the four state troops, Delaware, Arkansas, Wyoming and Colorado, to be connected with the 10,000 foot film composing all troops along the border, from the Gulf to San Diego.

Films of all the state troops will be made. After completing the work here today the boys will go to Comanche, and from there west.

Interesting Events Will Be a Day in El Paso

SOIL PRODUCTS EXPOSITION

The vast army of practical farmers of the arid lands of the United States and the vast army of theorists in dry farming and irrigation schemes are turning their eyes towards this border city this week where the International Dry Farming Congress holds its eleventh annual session and the International Irrigation Congress meets in their 23rd annual session to consider best how to conserve the precious moisture that is needed to make the desert and the waste places of the United States bloom with fruit and crops of the good of man.

At the same time El Paso is housing a splendid exhibition of Government products of various experimental stations and the Soil Products association of United States, Canada and Mexico has a great exposition of the fruits of artificially watered desert lands.

The great opening event of the octave of big features in the way of soil production was to have been the dedication of Elephant Butte Dam in the adjoining state of New Mexico about one hundred and ten miles north of El Paso, Texas, but old J. Pulvis must have been in a sarcastic mood for just as everything was ready the last detail of the transportation of distinguished men to the site of this greatest engineering feat in the United States, the rain god opened the vials of his wrath and inundated the country for many miles about the Elephant Butte that railroad beds were unsafe for the passage of trains and motor trails were lost under a rising tide.

As everyone of the delegates has been preaching the need of water in this part of the world, and for once in their useful lives had to acknowledge that there was such a thing as too much of a good thing and the laugh seemed on them and on El Paso who had depended on the trip to the dedication to begin the program and had nothing prepared to fill the first day—but here Uncle Sam's exhibit of fighting men filled an otherwise lonely gap, for there are about 4700 men in khaki stationed here at Fort Bliss on the hills above El Paso and to this tremendous camp, jitney bus and street car took the visitors to see the soldiers at work and at play.

One query most frequent on the lips of the visitors from the East is: "What is the reason for the strange name of this big reclamation dam? Is it a tribute to the G. O. P.?" Did Col. Roosevelt name it in compliment to the party that made him president?

Many variations of this line of thought. But long before parties were of conservation was thought of the name of the huge mass of lava and stone on the bank of the Rio Grande was called the "sleeping elephant", and the words were first wrote in the Spanish tongue. So ancient is the name that it probably was bestowed by the Spanish conquistadores or the old priests who accompanied probably the first expedition through the lands. The odd looking butte is really like the head and tusks, and trunk of the great beast, but now with the rising water about it, nothing is seen of this formation but a mound which once stood for the top of the head.

The Soil Products Exhibition is proving very popular with nine thousand people in attendance last evening. This morning the halls are absolutely without visitors, for the gate man calls for four bits, for the same attractions one can enjoy for two bits after dark. And border people are very good managers when it comes to small economies.

Surely everyone wishes the week of congresses and expositions will be far reaching in benefit of the country at large from Mexico to Canada, from the Pacific to the Atlantic Ocean.

For Irrigation Farmers Who Reclaim Lands by Means of Pumping From the Underflow Waters

GRAPHIC STARTS SOMETHING

Important Movement Will Start Here Today to Benefit Arid and Semi-Arid States in U. S.

When President R. F. Burgess brought down the gavel that closed the 23rd session of the International Irrigation Congress, the great El Paso meeting could be set down as accomplishing more real good than any congress in years. All improvement in laws to benefit the western farmers can be directly traceable to the influence of this congress.

A whole lot of good legislation was suggested to benefit the farmer, the cattleman and sheepman and make conditions much easier to succeed. In fact, when the legislation suggested shall have been put into law there will be slim chance for failure in any arid states.

Perhaps the proposed legislation of the most importance to the Mimbres Valley is embraced in the following clipping from Wednesday's El Paso Herald:

"Delegates to the International Irrigation congress will go on record as favoring government assistance in the development of pump irrigation in the west, according to the action of the resolutions committee, which today unanimously accepted a resolution proposed by Willard E. Holt, delegate from the Deming Chamber of Commerce to the congress: The resolution follows:

"Whereas the United States government has appropriated from time to time many millions of dollars for the purpose of storing surface waters for the reclamation of arid lands and, whereas, there are millions of acres of valuable land that can be reclaimed by means of pumping for irrigation, which are not given any encouragement by the Federal government, therefore, be it

"Resolved, that the president of this congress appoint one man from each arid or semi-arid state in the west for the purpose of a conference looking toward united action in securing federal aid for the reclamation of lands that may be profitably irrigated by means of pumping from the underground waters."

It was not only accepted by the resolutions committee, but the vote was perfectly unanimous in the congress.

To note the widespread interest in the movement, it is pleasing to know that the motion to adopt it was made by one of the delegates from Ohio.

Judge John Nebbett Pushes E. H. Leupold to Work Night as Part of the Time to Keep up Pace

A VERY STRENUOUS SESSION

The Well-Known Health Case Opened Last Night and is Occupying Attention of Court Today

Judge Nebbett is pushing things through the district court as fast as proper procedure will permit, working a little overtime when necessary. Following is the petit jury called to consider the various civil and criminal cases:

E. H. Leupold, Leodroe Hyatt, Robt. Trammell, J. H. Coleman Jr., W. S. Mallin, O. H. Alay, A. L. Waseles, Horton B. Young, R. J. Bell, J. G. Herren, L. E. Weaver, E. L. Todd, Thomas Acheson, Henry Hutchins, E. C. West, J. A. Rhea, R. C. Riebler, E. F. Moran, A. J. Tidmore, W. B. Perry, D. F. Weathered, N. J. Bruchman, C. J. Scott.

The Health case, wherein Mrs. Chas. Heath is again seeking to get \$2000 from the Royal Insurance Co., for the burning of her millinery stock, is occupying the court now. Mrs. Heath is represented by Capt. J. C. Watson and Fred Sherman and the company by R. F. Hamilton.

Following are the more important cases brought to trial:

State vs. R. E. Fringle, selling horses without license, guilty. T. Martinez, larceny, not guilty. Jose Torres, assault with intent to commit injury, guilty. Chas. Supel, forgery, guilty. Mrs. Murphy, larceny from store, guilty.

Leo Johnson, uttering false statement in writing, not guilty. Jose Arceve, larceny of cattle and defacing brand, guilty. State vs. Woodward, statutory offense, guilty. Chas. Burgois, selling liquor illegally, not guilty. C. L. Ortega, issuing worthless checks, Not guilty.

Judge Nebbett issued temporary license to Claud Stanley Wood to practice law.

Mrs. A. W. Pollard, Dr. Steed and family and Mrs. J. B. Taylor are among the many El Paso visitors this week.

Long Dist. Ways From Deming to El Paso and Lordsburg. Two Cords are Being Work

TO BE BEST SERVICE IN U. S.

The Company Already Has 60,000 Pounds of Copper Wire Now Stored in Deming Warehouse

It is in a measure surprising that few people ever stop to think of the enormous construction cost of modern telephone lines. We mean real, proper up-to-date lines like the ones operated by the Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Co.

Not until we see an array of workmen and carloads of equipment, to say nothing of the powerful motor trucks and motor cars to transport laborers, do we fully, or even partially realize the great cost of getting ready to operate.

One little item we noted this week is the 68,000 pounds of copper wire worth a little better than \$20,000, and this is only a drop in the bucket.

The company is building new lines now both ways from Deming, to reach El Paso and Lordsburg, which they hope to have in operation by the first of the year. The distance to El Paso will be shortened several miles by going across the country.

In this connection it might be well to mention the fact that Deming today has much better telephone equipment and service than eastern cities many times as large.

We have a telephone building better than many of the larger cities and a service equal to any. And just to think that through wise and judicious management, the cost of this convenient luxury is only the price of one cigar a day.

In conclusion the Graphic desires to compliment Manager J. C. Clements and his courteous and accommodating force of operators—trouble man included.

Miss Virginia Goolsby, who has been spending the summer with her sister, Mrs. C. J. Kelly, left yesterday for her home in Terrell, Texas. Miss Goolsby is ready to vouch for Deming as a health resort, having gained twenty pounds during her delightful sojourn in our "energizing atmosphere."

Li-Dr. Swope was up from the border for a few minutes yesterday.

Coldest Points in Address by Dr. Geo. E. Ladd at the International Irrigation Congress in El Paso

COLLEGE DOING GOOD WORK

Agricultural College is Now Planning a Marketing Bureau for the Farmers of the State

The problem of marketing farm products in New Mexico is at the present time is practically all problem and no solution. New Mexico is one of the seven states which have no official marketing bureau, or which, outside of the help rendered by county agricultural agents, give no aid to the farmer in the marketing of his products.

The New Mexico Agricultural College has planned a marketing bureau to be conducted cooperatively by its extension department and the office of markets and rural organization of the United States Department of Agriculture; and arrangements have been effected whereby an expert will take charge of such bureau on January 1.

Let us see what the conditions are with which he will be confronted: The land area of New Mexico embraces 78,401,920 acres. The census of 1910 shows that approximately one and one-half million acres of this land was in improved land farms, and about one-third of them were under irrigation. At the present time, about one million acres are under irrigation, and perhaps two million acres, altogether, in improved land farms. About two and one-half percent of the state's area is therefore, in farms, while the remaining ninety-seven and one-half per cent is mostly devoted to the grazing of cattle, sheep and goats.

The principal agricultural products of New Mexico, aside from livestock, dairying, and poultry raising are hay, corn, wheat, oats, beans, fruits, (including apples, pears, peaches and cantaloupes), and vegetables. The areas cultivated by these crops, except for hay have been increasing rapidly and will continue to increase for some years. The yield per acre is increasing satisfactorily.

The estimated value of the farm crops in New Mexico in 1915 was \$15,833,000, and in 1909 was \$10,000,500.

The estimated value of livestock sales in 1915 is \$21,000,000 against \$11,000,000 in 1909.

From the above figures it will be seen that the principal agricultural products of the state with the exception of hay, doubled in value in the past six years.

The bean crop in the state, through the development of our dry farms, is rapidly becoming very important, and will this year approximate in value \$2,000,000.

During the last three years the number of sheep in the state have increased by one hundred and forty thousand; the number of cattle by two hundred thousand; the number of horses by forty-seven thousand, the number of dairy cows by twenty thousand and the number of swine by fifty-four thousand five hundred.

Through the Boys' and Girls' clubs hundreds of pure bred swine have been imported and distributed. Through the college also a large number of graded dairy cows and pure bred bulls have been imported and distributed.

**Schrock Kafir Sorghum**

Forrest McKinley brought in yesterday samples of Schrock Sorghum, grown on his homestead without any irrigation. He has fifteen acres that will yield about one ton of shelled grain per acre.

The specimens are as fine as we have ever seen. A shock has been placed in the Chamber of Commerce.

**New Management at Auditorium**

F. E. Porter is now sole manager of the auditorium and there isn't any doubt but what he is going to have everything run in a real proper manner.

All ladies entering the auditorium will be assured every courtesy that they would receive in their own homes.

Mr. Porter will put on the best vaudeville shows obtainable in the southwest and is causing to be erected a stage that will accommodate any kind of entertainment.

Each Sunday, day and night, he will offer the free use of the big building and equipment, including the lights and piano to the churches for religious meetings, a generous consideration that is very much appreciated by the entire community.

**Help the Boys on the Border**

A good lady, who signs her name "S. O. S." sends one dollar and writes the Graphic as follows:

"If the boys of the N. M. N. G. want a recreation hall, we are the ones who should see that they get it. Their arms are our defense, fall in and subscribe."

S. O. S. \$1.00  
The Graphic 1.00  
Graphic Mechanical Force 1.00  
Who'll be next?

**Gen. George Bell To Visit Deming**

Following a delightful chat with Gen. George Bell, the Graphic editor was promised that the famous warrior will come up and spend the day with us as soon as possible to do so. Gen. Bell entertains a very high regard for Col. Glenn, commander of Camp Deming.

**Capt. W. F. Jones Called into Mexico**

Very much to the regret of Camp Deming and the whole community as well, Capt. W. F. Jones, assistant quartermaster, has been ordered by the Southern Department to take an important position in Mexican service, for how long a time he does not know. We all hope not long.

Mrs. Jones and daughter Madeline have taken apartments with Mrs. H. H. Kelly, Lieutenant Colonel Fuller and family taking the Northhaus bungalow.